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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2777-123]
Idaho Power Company;

Notice Of Application Accepted For Filing And Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, And Protests

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

- a. Application Type: Amendment to Land Management Plan
- b. Project No: 2777-123
- c. Date Filed: December 29, 2015
- d. Applicant: Idaho Power Company
- e. Name of Project: Upper Salmon Falls Hydroelectric Project
- f. Location: The project is located on the Snake River in Gooding and Twin Falls counties, Idaho.
- g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act, 16 USC 791a - 825r
- h. Applicant Contact: L. Lewis Wardle, Senior Biologist – Licensing Program;
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- i. FERC Contact: Krista Sakallaris, (202) 502-6302, Krista.Sakallaris@ferc.gov
- j. Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, and protests: March 8, 2015.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file motions to intervene, protests, comments, or recommendations using the Commission's eFiling system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp>. You must include your name and

contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 20426. The first page of any filing should include docket number P-2777-123.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person whose name appears on the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervenor files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency.

k. **Description of Request:** Idaho Power Company (IPC) filed a five-year compliance report for the project's approved land management plan as well as proposed updates to the existing plan. Updates include new land-use classification maps based off previously approved changes and modifications to the use classification of private boat docks on conservation and agriculture/grazing land. IPC proposes to change the classification of private boat docks to "conditional" in both conservation and agriculture/grazing land-use areas, which are currently listed as allowed and prohibited, respectively. To remain consistent across projects, IPC proposes the modification due to changes in land ownership and land use patterns from open-range grazing to private/rural-residential uses in the project area, as well as at this and several other IPC projects. IPC states that by listing private boat docks as conditional it would review all applications to ensure the proposal does not have adverse resource effects. Additionally, all dock applications would be required to meet the IPC's existing boat dock standards and applicants would be required to obtain the required state and federal permits and consult with specified resource agencies.

l. **Locations of the Application:** A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE, Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 502-8371. This filing may also be viewed on the Commission's website at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, call 1-866-208-3676 or e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, for TTY, call (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available

for inspection and reproduction at the address in item (h) above. Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant.

m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

n. Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene: Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214, respectively. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

o. Filing and Service of Documents: Any filing must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "PROTEST", or "MOTION TO INTERVENE" as applicable; (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person commenting, protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, motions to intervene, or protests must set forth their evidentiary basis. Any filing made by an intervenor must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed in the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2010.

Dated: February 8, 2016.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,
Deputy Secretary.